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Dear Sir:

Re: **VOLUNTARY AMENDMENT**

**United States Patent Application No. 09/707,167**

**Entitled: Oil Bodies and Associated Proteins As Affinity Matrices**

**Inventors: Maurice Moloney, Joseph Boothe, Gijs van Rooijen**

**Filing Date: November 7, 2000**

**Art Unit: 1645**

The present letter is to file a Voluntary Amendment to the above-referenced patent application.

Please amend the application as follows:

**In the Claims:**

Please delete claims 1-17 currently of record.

Please amend claim 18 as follows:

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18. (Amended) A method for the isolation of a recombinant polypeptide from a cell, said cell comprising oil bodies and the recombinant polypeptide, said method comprising:

(1) contacting (i) said oil bodies with (ii) said recombinant polypeptide to allow said recombinant polypeptide to associate with said oil bodies; and

(2) isolating said oil bodies associated with said recombinant polypeptide.